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Pope Francis talks with President Barack Obama after arriving at Andrews Air Force Base in Md., Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015. The Pope is spending three days in Washington before heading to New York and Philadelphia. This is the Pope's first visit to the United States. First lady Michelle Obama is at right.

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# Pope Francis arrives for historic visit to America

N. WINFIELD R. ZOLL **Associated Press** WASHINGTON (AP) — Pope

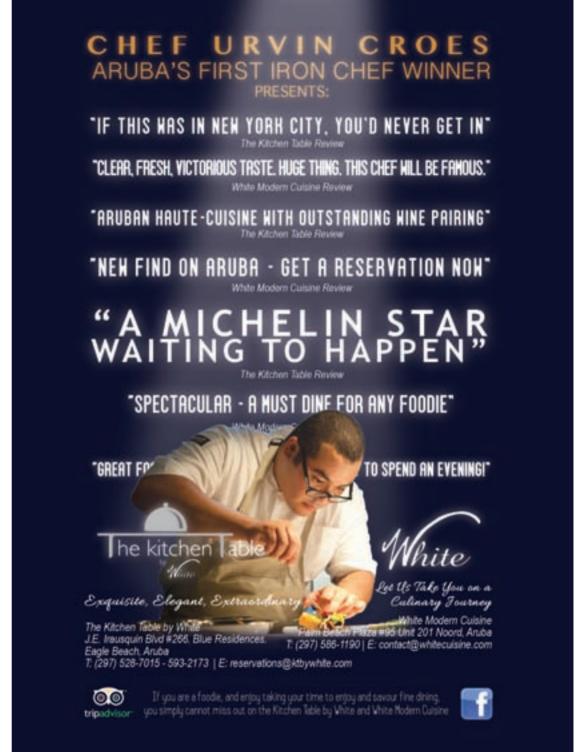
Francis arrived Tuesday on the first visit of his life to the United States, bringing his humble manner and his "church of the poor" to a rich and powerful nation polarized over economic inequality, immigration and equal justice. According a rare honor to the pontiff, President Barack Obama and his wife and daughters met Francis at the bottom of the stairs on the red-carpeted tarmac at Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland after the pope's chartered plane touched down from Cuba. Presidents usually make important visitors come to them at the White House. Emerging from the plane to boisterous cheers from a crowd of hundreds, the smiling 78-year-old pontiff removed his skullcap in the windy weather and made his way down the steps in his white robes.

He was welcomed by a military honor guard, chanting schoolchildren, politicians, and Roman Catholic clerics in black robes and vivid sashes of scarlet and purple. Joe Biden, the nation's first Catholic vice president, and his wife were among those who greeted him.

Eschewing a limousine, the pope climbed into the back of a modest little Fiat family car and promptly rolled down the windows, enabling the cheering, whooping crowds to see him as his motorcade took him to the Vatican diplomatic mission in Washington, where he will stay while in the nation's capital. The choice of car was in keeping with his simple habits and his stand against consumerism. During his six-day, three-city visit to the U.S., the pope will meet with the president on Wednesday, address Congress on Thursday, speak at the United Nations in New York on Friday and take part in a Vaticansponsored conference on

the family in Philadelphia over the weekend.

The Argentine known as the "slum pope" for ministering to the downtrodden in his native Buenos Aires is expected to urge America to take better care of the environment and the poor and return to its founding ideals of religious liberty and open arms toward immigrants. During the flight, Francis defended himself against conservative criticism of his economic views. He told reporters on the plane that some explanations of his writings may have given the impression he is "a little bit more left-leaning."But he said such explanations are wrong and added: "I am certain that I have never said anything beyond what is in the social doctrine of the church." Joking about doubts in some quarters over whether he is truly Catholic, he said, "If I have to recite the Creed, I'm ready." He is the fourth pope ever to visit the United States. Francis' enormous popularity, propensity for wading into crowds and insistence on using an open-sided Jeep rather than a bulletproof popemobile have complicated things for U.S. law enforcement, which has mounted



one of the biggest security operations in American history to keep him safe.

The measures are unprecedented for a papal trip and could make it nearly

Pope Francis waves from a Fiat 500L as his motorcade departs Andrews Air Force Base, Md., Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015, after being greeted by President Barack Obama and first lady Michelle Obama.

(AP Photo/Andrew Harnik)

impossible for many ordinary Americans to get anywhere close to Francis. For anyone hoping to get across town when the pope is around, good luck. For all the attention likely to be paid to Francis' speeches, including the first address from a pope to Congress, his more personal gestures — visiting with immigrants, prisoners and the homeless — could yield some of the most memorable images of the trip.

"What the pope does in the United States will be more important than what he says," said Mat Schmalz, a religious studies professor at Holy Cross college in Worcester, Massachusetts. "There are a lot of things he will say about capitalism and about wealth inequality, but many Americans and politicians have already made up their minds on these issues.





# Clean tech a priority issue as Chinese president lands in US

**GENE JOHNSON PHUONG LE Associated Press** 

**SEATTLE (AP)** — Chinese President Xi Jinping arrived in Washington state Tuesday for a visit to the U.S. that will include talks on how U.S. and Chinese experts and businesses can collaborate on nuclear energy, smarter electricity use and other clean technologies.

The visit comes a year after Xi and President Barack Obama announced their nations would cooperate to fight climate change.

Xi's plane landed at Paine Field in Everett, where he was welcomed by a group that included Washington Gov. Jay Inslee, former Washington governor and U.S. ambassador to China Gary Locke and Seattle Mayor Ed Murray.

Seattle, supporters turned out to welcome the Chinese president and other dignitaries traveling in his motorcade.

Guangdong Province who has lived in Seattle for 20

Wendy Hu, a native of from the religious group Falun Gong demonstrated outside the federal courtyears, brought her 11-year- house, holding banners



Chinese President Xi Jinping, left, and his wife Peng Liyuan wave upon arrival Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015, at Boeing Field in Everett, Wash. Xi is spending three days in Seattle before traveling to Washington, D.C., for a White House state dinner on Friday.

old daughter, Anna Ni. "China and the U.S. are good partners now, with Boeing and Microsoft," Hu said. "I love both countries."

Hundreds of protesters

and banging drums as the motorcade passed.

(AP Photo/Elaine Thompson)

Falun Gong says its members are persecuted in Chi-

"It's about compassion and tolerance," said Sabrina Chang, 28, who traveled to Seattle with other Falun Gong practitioners for the protest.

Talks in Seattle among a handful of U.S. governors and six of their Chinese counterparts will include improving energy efficiency in buildings, modernizing electrical grids and commercializing renewable energy. The governors were expected to meet privately with Xi later in the day.

The University of Washington and Tsinghua University in Beijing were expected to sign an agreement to collaborate on research related to clean tech. In addition, TerraPower Inc., an energy company founded by Bill Gates, will be entering an agreement with China National Nuclear Corp. to work together on nextgeneration nuclear power plant technology.

"These are the largest economies in the world, and we're the biggest emitters of greenhouse

gases, so improving cooperation and collaboration is really a necessity," said Brian Young, Washington state director of economic development for the clean technology sector. "Second, it's a huge business opportunity. Both sides recognize the opportunity for job creation."

U.S.-China cooperation on climate-change has been a warm and fuzzy point of relations between the superpowers.

In November 2009, Obama and then-President Hu Jintao formalized a renewable energy partnership, including the establishment of clean-energy research centers focused on electric vehicles, cleaner coal and water energy programs.

Last November, Obama and Xi announced that the countries would work together on climate change, with China announcina it would try to cap its greenhouse gas emissions by 2030, or sooner if possible.



# Senate blocks anti-abortion bill; new showdown set



Sen. Roger Wicker, R-Miss., center, speaks during a news conference on Capitol Hill in Washington, Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015. Earlier, Senate Democrats blocked Republican legislation Tuesday that would prohibit most late-term abortions, the latest episode in a fight that has threatened to cause a partial government shutdown. At the same time, the chamber's GOP leader began choreographing a series of votes designed to avert a federal closure. From left are, Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., Sen. John Thune, R-S.D., Wicker, Senate Majority Whip John Cornyn of Texas, and Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell of Ky.

(AP Photo/Jacquelyn Martin)

budget measure include language stripping taxpayer funding for Planned Parenthood.

Abortion foes say videos show Planned Parenthood has violated federal prohibitions against profiting from fetal tissue sales or changing some abortion procedures to maximize the harvesting of fetus organs.

Planned Parenthood says it's broken no laws and says the videos were manipulated to distort the recorded conversations.

The Republican bill would set criminal penalties of up to five years in prison for doctors who perform most abortions 20 weeks or more into pregnancy. The House approved the legislation in May.

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### ANDREW TAYLOR ALAN FRAM Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Senate Democrats thwarted an effort to ban late-term abortions on Tuesday Republican leaders strained to avoid a govdays over the dispute — all against a tangled backdrop of presidential politics. Up next, in the first of a series of choreographed steps, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, a Republican, set up a showdown vote for Thursday on stopgap legislation that would keep the government operating through Dec. 11.

But it would also block women's health care provider Planned Parenthood's federal funds for a year, and Democrats are expected to block that measure, too, setting up subsequent votes on must-pass bills to keep the government open free of the dispute over Planned Parenthood and abortion.

Abortion politics is roiling Congress and the White House campaign as well. A number of Republicans, outraged over Planned Parenthood's procurement of fetal tissue for scientific research, are demanding definitive action from party leaders.

"If Senate Republicans

cannot defund Planned Parenthood right now, there is no point in calling them Republicans," Louisiana Gov. Bobby Jindal, a candidate for the Republican presidential nomination, tweeted last week.

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On Tuesday, Senate Democrats blocked a Republican measure to prohibit most late-term abortions. The Senate voted 54-42 to move ahead on the legislation, but that fell six votes short of the 60 needed to crack a filibuster mostly led by Democrats.

Tuesday's vote was the second time since this summer's release of videos involving Planned Parenthood that Senate Democrats have derailed an abortion-related drive by the Republicans.

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Republican leaders in the House have staged several votes on anti-abortion legislation, but the moves haven't satisfied a handful of party hardliners who are insisting that the must-pass







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# Clinton opposes construction of Keystone XL pipeline

### **KEN THOMAS CATHERINE LUCEY Associated Press** DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) —

Democratic presidential front-runner Hillary Rodham Clinton said Tuesday she opposes construction of the Keystone XL pipeline, breaking her longstanding silence over the construction of a project assailed by environmentalists as a threat to the planet's climate.

speak out after concluding that the ongoing debate over whether the pipeline should be built had become a distraction to larger efforts to fight climate change "and unfortunately, from my perspective, one that interferes with our ability to move forward to The announcement was deal with the other issues. Therefore I oppose it."

The former secretary of state had previously said

Clinton said she decided to she shouldn't take a position on the issue, because she didn't want to interfere with the Obama administration as it considers whether to allow construction of a pipeline that would transport oil from Canada's tar sands to refineries on the Gulf of Mexico.

> viewed with disappointment in Canada, where Prime Minister Stephen Harper has said as recently



Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Rodham Clinton speaks during a community forum on healthcare, Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015, at Moulton Elementary School in Des Moines, lowa. Clinton broke her longstanding silence over the construction of the Keystone XL pipeline, telling voters at a campaign stop in Iowa on Tuesday that she opposes the project assailed by environmentalists.



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as last month that he was confident the next U.S. president would approve the project.

"This is not a debate be-Canada tween and the U.S.," said Stephen Lecce, a spokesman for Harper. "We know the American people support the project. We will not engage in presidential primary debates." Less reluctant was Republican presidential candidate

Jeb Bush, who said on Twitter that Clinton's decision proves she "favors environmental extremists over U.S. jobs."

Spurred on by environmental activists and liberals who play a key role in the Democratic primaries and vigorously oppose the pipeline project, Clinton had expressed impatience in recent weeks over the administration's Obama Campaign events in New Hampshire and Maine last week drew activists who held signs that read "I'm Ready for Hillary to say no KXL."

Clinton announced her decision moments after Pope Francis arrived in

Washington at the start of a closely watched visit to the United States. Her opposition came in response to a question from a young woman attending Clinton's forum on prescription drugs.

"I was in a unique position having been secretary of state ... not wanting to interfere with ongoing decision making," Clinton said. "I thought this would be decided by now and therefore I could say whether I agree or disagree. But it hasn't been decided and I think now I've got a responsibility to you and other voters who ask me about this." Clinton's main rivals for the Democratic nomination have long opposed the project. Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, who has surpassed Clinton in some polls in Iowa and New drawn-out deliberations. Hampshire, said in a statement he was "glad that Secretary Clinton finally has made a decision and I welcome her opposition to the pipeline. Clearly it would be absurd to encourage the extraction and transportation of some of the dirtiest fossil fuel on the planet."





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# Judge overturns New York City ban on plastic foam containers

### **JAKE PEARSON Associated Press**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — A state judge has overturned New York City's ban on plastic foam containers, finding the nearly 30,000 tons of dirty meat trays and to-go cups now sent to landfills can be recycled in a costeffective way, according to a decision made public Tuesday. The ban went into effect July 1 after lawmakers voted in 2013 to approve it unless a yearlona inquiry found the foam could be effectively recycled. An industry group of manufacturers, recyclers and restaurant-owners then sued, arguing that the ban was based on politics, not policy, and that recycling was feasible. The environmental initiative was spearheaded by former Mayor Michael Bloomberg, an independent, and supported by current Mayor Bill de Blasio, a Democrat.

But state Supreme Court Judge Margaret Chan ruled that Department of Sanitation Commissioner Katheryn Garcia didn't properly take into account



New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio arrives at city hall in New York, Monday, Sept. 21, 2015. A state judge has overturned New York City's ban on plastic foam containers, according to a decision made public Tuesday. The environmental initiative was spearheaded by former Mayor Michael Bloomberg, and supported by current Mayor Bill de Blasio.

market and recycling opportunities generated during the yearlong review period when she decided be recycled economically and in an environmentally friendly way.

Garcia didn't "clearly state \$400,000 annually if 40 per-

industry estimates of the the basis of her conclusions when the evidence contrary to her findings were clearly before her," Chan wrote, noting industry estithat plastic foam couldn't mates that 21 companies would buy used containers from the city. She also noted the city would save

(AP Photo/Seth Wenig)

cent of its wasted plastic foam wasn't sent to landfills, though as much as 75 percent could be recycled following machinery improvements.

The takeout containers popular with street vendors for keeping food warm are actually made from a

material called expanded polystyrene foam. Although commonly referred to as Styrofoam, that Dow Chemical Co. brand isn't used as a food container, the company has said.

Prohibitions on the product exist in other cities across the country, such as San Francisco, Seattle and Portland, Oregon. The ban had made New York the largest city in the country to prohibit plastic foam, which environmentalists say clogs up landfills.

Mayoral spokeswoman Ishanee Parikh said de Blasio administration officials disagreed with the ruling and were reviewing options to keep the ban in place.

"These products cause real environmental harm, and we need to be able to prevent nearly 30,000 tons of expanded polystyrene waste from entering our landfills, streets and waterways," she said.

Cas Holloway, a former Bloomberg deputy mayor who led that administration's efforts to ban plastic foam, called Chan's decision "clearly wrong."





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# European ministers agree to relocate 120,000 refugees

MIKE CORDER **DANICA KIRKA Associated Press** 

**BRUSSELS (AP)** — Deeply divided European Union ministers agreed Tuesday to relocate 120,000 asylumseekers to ease the strain on Greece and Italy, which are on the front line of the migrant flood. But a senior European leader conceded the move was only a small step toward resolving one of the worst crises ever faced by the 28-nation bloc.

Four eastern European countries — the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Romania and Hungary — voted against the plan, and it's unclear if they will even implement it. Those nations have resisted accepting the forced resettlement of refugees on their territory. Slovakia would rather breach the measure "than

accept such a dictate," said Prime Minster Robert Fico. His Czech counterpart, Bo-

huslav Sobotka, added: "It's a bad decision, and the Czech Republic did all it could to block it."

EU leaders will gather

Wednesday evening in built a fence topped with Brussels to try to adopt a unified approach to the crisis that has seen 477,906

razor wire on its frontier with Serbia.

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states, these are very difficult decisions."

But even Timmermans conceded it was only a small no mistake it will take a tremendous amount of effort, it will take a long time, and it will take many steps in many areas."

The office of the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees urged the EU to quickly set up facilities in Greece, where tens of thousands have arrived after making the hazardous sea crossing from Turkey.

This may be "the last opportunity for a coherent European response," said Melissa Fleming, a spokeswoman for the UNHCR.

Tuesday's deal did not set mandatory quotas for each nation — one of the most contentious aspects of the proposed plan. It said that 66,000 asylum-seekers will be relocated from Greece and Italy, and 54,000 more in a year's time.

Amnesty International's Europe Director, John Dalhuisen, cautioned that agreed-upon numbers "are still too low, given the immensity of the current crisis." "At long last, this is a step in the right direction, but EU leaders need to be looking 10 steps ahead, not one," he said.



A Syrian refugee boy cries while he and his family try to board a train at the station in Tovarnik, Croatia. EU ministers agreed Tuesday to relocate 120,000 asylum-seekers to ease the strain on Greece and Italy, which are on the front line of the migrant flood. (AP Photo/Manu Brabo)

people stream into Europe from the Middle East, Africa and Asia, according to estimates by the U.N. refugee agency. Some European countries have reinstated border controls to stem the flood, and Hungary has

President Frans Timmermans insisted that all member states "respect the outcome" of the relocation plan, which he said showed the bloc is "capable of taking decisions even if, for some member step, and plenty more remains to be done.

"In and by itself, the decision we took today is not going to solve the refugee crisis," he said. "The refugee crisis can be brought under control, but make

# High-profile trial of Ukrainian officer begins in Russia

MOSCOW (AP) — A Russian court on Tuesday began hearing the high-profile case against a Ukrainian ofdeaths of two Russian journalists in eastern Ukraine. Nadezhda Savchenko

denied the charges, telling the court "I am a soldier, not a murderer," according to the Tass news agency. In Washington, the U.S. State Department

urged Russia to drop what it described as a "baseless case" against Savchenko. Russian investigators alficer who is charged in the lege that Savchenko, who served in a volunteer battalion fighting alongside government troops against Russia-backed rebels, provided the coordinates for a mortar attack that killed the journalists in June 2014. Savchenko, who lawyers say was captured by

the rebels and smuggled across the border into Russia, also is charged with entering Russia illegally.

Charges of attempted murder in relation to six Ukrainian citizens were also added to the case.

Prosecutors told the court on Tuesday that Savchenko intentionally targeted the journalists and other civilians, while the defense insisted the journalists were

killed during an attack on separatist fighters, Russian news agencies reported.

"I didn't see journalists," Tass quoted Savchenko as saying. "I have never in my life shot at unarmed people. I am a soldier, not a murderer." Savchenko, who spent 83 days on a hunger strike to protest her detention, has become a hero figure for Ukrainians fighting the separatists and

has won a seat in Parliament. Ukrainian officials have campaigned for her release and have been backed by the U.S. and the European Union. "The United States remains deeply disturbed by the Russian Federation's decision to move forward with this baseless case," U.S. State Department spokesman Mark Toner told reporters in Washington Tuesday.





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# Experts to assess IRA as man charged with Belfast explosives



Northern Ireland's Democratic Unionist Party leader Peter Robinson, right and deputy leader Nigel Dodds speak to the media at Stormont Castle, Belfast, Northern Ireland. Britain on Tuesday unveiled a new expert panel to investigate IRA activities as a man was charged with possession of a trove of IRA weapons. (AP Photo/Peter Morrison)

### S. POGATCHNIK **Associated Press**

**DUBLIN (AP)** — Britain on Tuesday unveiled a new expert panel to investigate Irish Republican Army activities as a man was charged with possession of a trove of IRA weapons, underscoring the tensions that threaten to tear apart Northern Ireland's unity government after eight years of Catholic-Protestant cooperation.

Power-sharing, a central achievement of two decades of peacemaking, is at risk because of a killing that police and other authorities have blamed on the IRA. The underground organization, which killed nearly 1,800 people during a failed 1970-1997 campaign to force Northern Ireland out of the United Kingdom, was supposed to fade into history as part of the 2007 creation of a coalition combining former Protestant majority and the IRA-linked Sinn Fein party. But while the IRA officially disarmed and renounced violence in 2005, splinter groups have continued to kill — and now, for the first time, the IRA itself stands accused of using lethal force in retaliation.

Police commanders say IRA members last month ambushed and shot to death an expelled comrade, Kevin McGuigan, in revenge for his own alleged killing in May of a senior IRA figure, Jock Davison. McGuigan, who was shot in the arms and legs by the IRA more than a decade ago in a so-called "punishment" attack, had expressed bitterness toward Davison but denied involvement.

The three-member expert group is supposed to report to government leaders by mid-October on the state of the IRA today, including the open question of whether commanders ordered or permitted the Mc-Guigan hit. If so, it would be the first confirmed killing by the dominant branch of the IRA, called the Provisionals, since the 2007 res enemies from the British urrection of power-sharing. The experts also are tasked with assessing the current structure and activities of a half-dozen other paramilitary forces, including IRA splinter groups and anti-Catholic gangs. None of these is affiliated to any

party in Northern Ireland's government, making their violence much less politically explosive.

Even when international weapons inspectors announced the Provisional IRA's total disarmament in 2005, analysts broadly agreed that the IRA retained firearms for defensive or community-intimidation purposes. McGuigan's Aug. 12 killing, if confirmed to be an IRA attack, would offer the first concrete evidence of this.

The past decade of occasional bomb and gun attacks committed by breakaway factions already has demonstrated that IRA leaders lost control of portions of their arsenal, most importantly caches of the Czech-made plastic explosive Semtex, before it could surrender the weaponry.

A man was arraigned in a Belfast court Tuesday on charges of possessing about a pound (half a kilogram) of Semtex, two detonators, two handauns

and more than 200 rounds of ammunition for use by an unspecified IRA faction. Kevin Nolan, 45, had been arrested Sunday in England following the weapons discovery in a house in Catholic west Belfast, a primary power base for the Provisional IRA and its rival offshoots. Nolan offered no plea at Belfast Magistrates Court. He did offer a clenched fist salute to friends and family in the visitors gallery as police led him from the dock.







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# Iran's president claims his military best defense against IS

### NASSER KARIMI Associated Press

**TEHRAN**, **Iran** (**AP**) — The Iranian president lauded his country's military as the most reliable force to take on "terrorists in the region," a reference to the extremist Islamic State group, in a speech during an annual military parade Tuesday.

Hassan Rouhani offered military assistance to Mideast countries, saying that so far, Iranian troops "have helped both Iraq and Syria" in the struggle against IS but insisted that Tehran has no military intentions toward other nations.

The parade marked the 35th anniversary of the start of the ruinous, eight-year Iraq-Iran war.

In his speech, carried live by state TV, Rouhani said that if "terrorists begin to expand in the region, the only hope will be Iran's army and the Revolutionary Guards."

The Sunni militant Islamic State group has seized a third of both Syria and Iraq following its blitz in the region last year, and has declared a self-styled caliphate on the territory it controls. Other Mideast countries, such as Egypt, Libya and Saudi Arabia, have seen the emergence of IS affiliates and groups that have declared allegiance to the Islamic State.

Rouhani said Middle East nations should not put too much faith in "Western powers as their defenders. Today, our armed forces are the biggest regional power against terrorism." Iran has already sent mili-

tary advisers to neighboring lraq and the Syrian government of President Bashar Assad, a key Tehran

government of President Bashar Assad, a key Tehran ally, to help in the battle with IS militants but denies sending ground combat forces. Rouhani also made a veiled offer of Iranian help to Sunni rival Saudi Arabia, though he did not name the kingdom. The Saudis have been carrying out airstrikes in Yemen against Iran-backed Shiite rebels since March. The advance of the rebels, also known as Houthis, has forced Yemen's internationally recognized president into self-imposed exile in Saudi Arabia.



Iranian Arabs who are members of the paramilitary Basij force march in a military parade marking the 35th anniversary of Iraq's 1980 invasion of Iran, in front of the shrine of late revolutionary founder Ayatollah Khomeini, just outside Tehran, Iran, Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015. President Rouhani lauded his country's military as the most reliable force to take on "terrorists in the region," a reference to the extremist Islamic State group, in a speech during the annual military parade. (AP Photo/Vahid Salemi)

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# Yemeni officials:

# Exiled president arrives in Yemen's Aden

AHMED AL-HAJ
Associated Press

SANAA, Yemen (AP) — Yemen's President Abed Rabbo Mansour Hadi arrived in the southern port city of Aden Tuesday following nearly six months of exile in Saudi Arabia, airport officials and a statement from his office said.

Hadi, who arrived in Aden under tight security, fled Yemen by sea in March as Shiite Houthi rebels and their allies moved on his last refuge in the south. Hours later, a Saudi-led coalition began launching airstrikes aimed at pushing back the Houthis. The Houthis captured the country's capital, Sanaa, last September and

it remains in their control. Yemen has been torn by a ferocious war pitting the Houthis and forces fighting for former President Ali Abdullah Saleh against Hadi loyalists, as well as southern separatists, local militias and Sunni extremists. An official at Hadi's office said he would stay no less than two days, adding that he is expected to meet with the Cabinet, local authorities, and military and security leadership.

"The return of his excellency the president to Aden comes after an absence that has lasted for six months amid the brutal aggression which has been carried out by the militias loyal to the Houthis and Saleh on the city of Aden," the president's office said in a statement. Several newly-appointed ministers accompanied him, according to the statement.

Security officials say Aden's airport remains under heavy security, with armored vehicles surrounding the structure and checkpoints manned by Emirati and Yemeni troops.

Officials in Hadi's office said the president will leave to the United States in the next few days to attend the United Nations General Assembly meetings. Yemen's Cabinet arrived in Aden last week after months of self-imposed exile.



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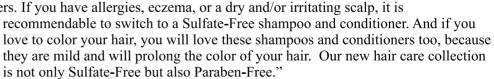
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Depending on their specific needs, clients can choose from three different shampoo and conditioner varieties of this new collection: Full Body for Normal Hair, Nourish for Dry & Damaged Hair, and Color Viva for Color Treated Hair. Of course, like most of Aruba Aloe's products, this enhanced and Sulfate-Free collection contains pure Aloe Vera Gel. So not only is the collection gentle on the hair and scalp, but it is also nourishing and hydrating. This new collection is now available in all Aruba Aloe stores.

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# Guyana: Venezuela deploys troops to border

**BERT WILKINSON Associated Press** 

GEORGETOWN, Guyana (AP) — Guyana's President David Granger said Tuesday that Venezuela has deployed troops to a contested border region in what he called a "dangerous" escalation of a longrunning dispute between the South American nations.

The government of President Nicolas Maduro made "extraordinary military deployments," along what Guyana considers its western border, Granger told reporters.

He called the development a "hostile and aggressive" step in a border dispute that dates to the 19th century but has grown more heated over the past year following a major offshore oil discovery in waters claimed by both nations.

"We feel that Venezuela is treading a dangerous course at this point in time rather than seeking a peaceful resolution of the matter," Granger said. "Venezuela seems to be pursuing a very offensive and aggressive course."

The Maduro government had no immediate comment but Venezuela has long claimed a jungle area known as the Essequibo



Guyana's President David Granger poses for a photo in Brasilia, Brazil. On Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015, Granger has accused Venezuela of deploying troops to a contested border region in what he called a "dangerous" escalation of a long-running dispute between the two South American nations.

(AP Photo/Joedson Alves)

that comprises about 40 percent of Guyana's territory. Venezuela extended its maritime claims, issuing a map that would have rendered Guyana landlocked, after a subsidiary of Exxon Mobil Corp. announced it had made a significant oil discovery about 120 miles (193 kilometers) off Guyana, which awarded the drilling concession.

Since then, the two sides have engaged in repeated rhetorical exchanges and scaled back commerce, with Guyana phasing out oil purchases from its larger neighbor and Venezuela switching to other countries for rice supplies.

Guyana has asked the U.N. to mediate the border dispute and Granger is expected to raise the issue at the upcoming General Assembly meeting.

Venezuela has recently dispatched troops to its border with Colombia as part of what it has portrayed as a crackdown on smuggling and other crimes.

# As dry season nears;

# Caribbean braces for worsening drought

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ogy issued a report this month stating that many islands in the eastern region remain in drought. Officials

### Colombia, Venezuela agree with returning ambassadors to posts

**JACOBO GARCIA Associated Press** 

QUITO, Ecuador (AP) — Colombia and Venezuela agreed early Tuesday to redeploy ambassadors who were withdrawn in a month-old dispute that has paralyzed trade and movement along their border.

The announcement came after the presidents of the two neighbors met in Ecuador's capital for five hours discussing Venezuela's decision to close its border with Colombia and begin deporting Colombian mi-

The leaders did not announce a reopening of border checkpoints, as some people on the frontier had hoped. They said only that their governments would work toward a gradual normalization of the situation on the border, without explaining what that might look like. The crisis began when Venezuelan President Nicolas Maduro deported 1,500 Colombians migrants he blamed for smuggling that his government contends has helped empty supermarket shelves in the country. An additional 16,000 Colombians, some of whom had lived in Venezuela for years, left voluntarily, fearing reprisals from troops who were seen bulldozing homes and forcing people to flee across a border river with belongings slung on their backs.

Although the deportations and mass exodus of Colombians have stopped, Maduro and Colombian President Juan Manuel Santos had been sharpening criticisms of each other, while communities on both sides of the border suffered from the closure of all land crossings along a border five times the length of the one separating France and Germany.

Maduro accused Santos of being complicit in what he has alleged was a plot hatched by right-wing elements in Colombia and the U.S. to overthrow his socialist government. But he struck a conciliatory tone in his remarks after Monday's meeting, saying common sense and a spirit of mutual cooperation had

Santos, who successfully restored relations with Venezuela after his predecessor threatened war with Venezuela's late President Hugo Chavez, had thrown off his habitual restraint and said Maduro's socialist revolution was self-destructing and using tactics employed by Nazi shock troops.

In recent days, Colombia denounced an illegal flyover of three Venezuelan fighter jets as well as an incursion into its territory of a Venezuelan National Guard patrol chasing an individual whose motorcycle they burned when he fled. On the eve of the talks, Maduro announced a plan to purchase 12 new Russian fighter jets.

Monday's meeting was brokered by Ecuadorean President Rafael Correa, a close ally of Venezuela, and Uruguay's President Tabare Vazquez, the current rotating head of the 12-member Union of South American Nations.



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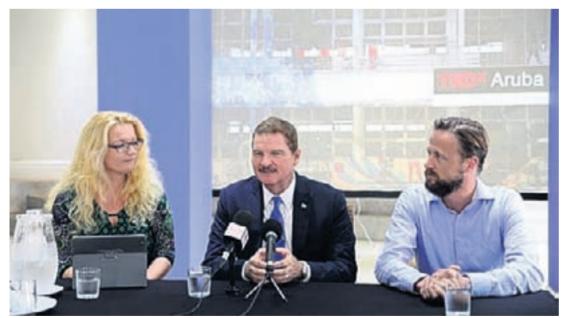
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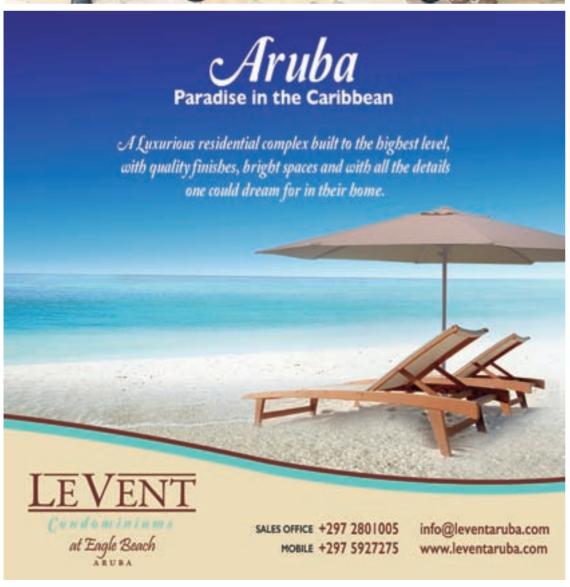


### Norman Family Honored at the **Hyatt Regency Resort of Aruba** PALM BEACH - Recently the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure of

honoring a very nice couple as Goodwill Ambassadors at the Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort. The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name of the Minister of Tourism as a token of appreciation to guests who visit Aruba for 20-to-34 consecutive years.

The honorees were Mr. William and Mrs. Debra Norman from New Jersey. William and Debra are loyal guests at the Hyatt Regency Aruba Resort, and they love Aruba very much because of the friendly people, the gorgeous sunsets and the trade winds. They say being on Aruba and staying at the Hyatt Resort is like being in paradise.

The certificates were presented by Ms. Marouska Heyliger representing the Aruba Tourism Authority together with Maurice van de Linden, Julian Tucker and GM Joel Bundel of the Hyatt.







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### Reef Care Project 2015

# Pelican Adventures kicks it up a notch



happy to have been able to experience the effort of Pelican Adventures and Aruba in keeping the environment they work in clean for future generations," a second guest added to the conversation.

Thanks to 21 years of creating awareness among the inhabitants of the island we can be proud to announce that all Pelican Adventures guests and crew managed to eliminate as waste was a few fishing lines tangled in the reef, one plastic bag and one abandoned anchor.

As the cruise moved along to the second site – the Antilla ship wreck - guests marveled at the beauty of Aruba's underwater world and even had

a great job and we are very the amazing opportunity to see a manta ray swim by.

As the Champagne Brunch Cruise headed to the last stop – Malmok reef – guests enjoyed a delectable lunch consisting of a freshly made seafood paella and chicken potato salad accompanied by mimosas.

"Who knew that when we booked this cruise we would end up joining the locals in their effort to create and maintain a sustainable environment for the future and look we even got a great souvenir to remember the occasion... our own Reef Care 2015 T-shirt," they all said with big smiles on their faces as they posed with the catch of the day.

PALM BEACH - Since its inception in 1994 Pelican Adventures has joined the efforts of Castro Perez from the Aruba Tourism Authority to clean up Aruba's beaches and reefs and create the awareness on the importance of taking care of the environment, not only

Antilla ship wreck.

As guests were welcomed to their Champagne Brunch Cruise with an assortment of breads and cold cuts the catamaran made its way to the first stop – Boca Catalina where everybody got their fins and masks on and



for visitors but also for the sustainability of the island for generations to come.

This year Pelican Adventures has kicked it up a notch inviting guests who booked a cruise on the already famous Champagne Brunch to join captain, crew and Pelican Adventures staff in the effort to clean-up the reefs at Boca Catalina and Malmok - two of the most visited snorkeling sites on the island besides the

jumped in the water to enjoy the wonderful colors of the Aruban marine life and at the same time looking out for any waste that needed to be removed from the reefs going all the way to the beach.

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# Lammes Family Honored by ATA at the Marriott Surf Club



PALM BEACH - Recently the Aruba Tourism Authority had the great pleasure of honoring a very nice couple as Distinguished Visitors at the Marriott Surf Club. The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name

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relaxation. They say being on Aruba and staying at the Marriott Surf Club is like being in paradise.

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Tourism Authority together with Ms. Jenny Boekhoudt and Mrs. Orline Palmer representing the Marriott Surf Club.

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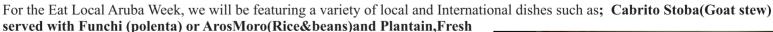


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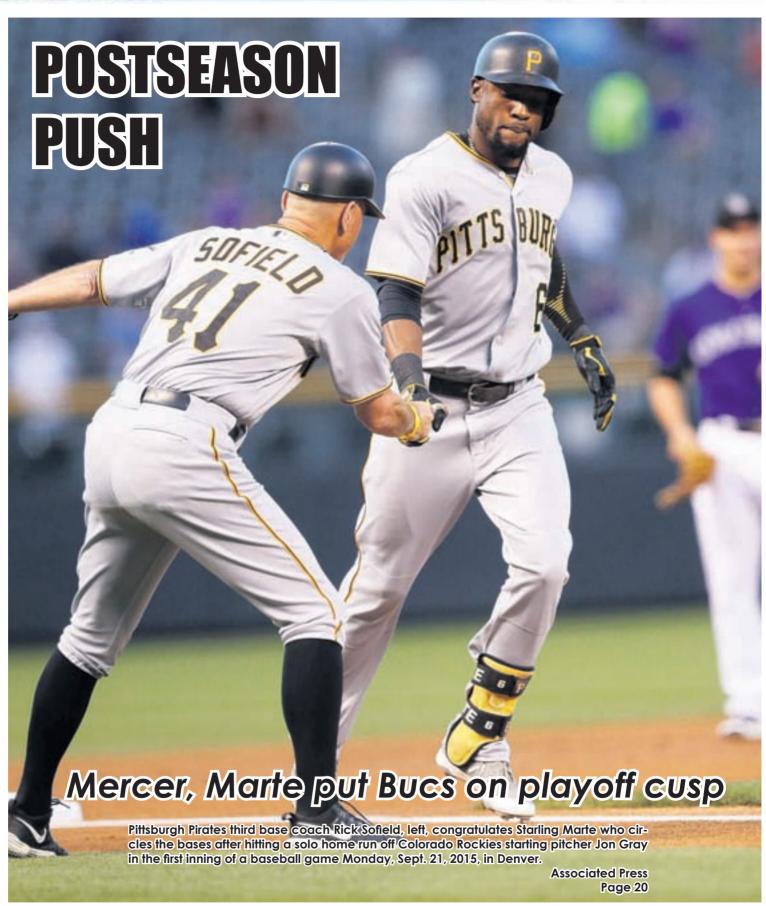
Indiana Fever forward Tamika Catchings shoots a free throw against the Chicago Sky during the second half of Game 3 of the WNBA basketball Eastern Conference semifinals, Monday, Sept. 21, 2015, in Rosemont, III.

**Associated Press** 

### Fever beat Sky, advance to EC finals

CHICAGO (AP) — Tamika Catchings scored 27 points and Shenise Johnson added 22 to help the Indiana Fever beat the Chicago Sky 100-89 to advance to the Eastern Conference finals in the WNBA playoffs on Monday.

It's the fifth straight year that Indiana has advanced this far, matching the league record set by Los Angeles from 1999-03. This might be the most unexpected one of the streak, especially after dropping Game 1 to Chicago. Erlana Larkins added 18 points and Marissa Coleman had 17 for the third-seeded Fever, who advanced to face topseeded New York or fourthseeded Washington. Those teams are tied 1-all going into the series finale Tuesday in New York.







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# Jets trying to stay grounded after 20-7 win at indy

### **NFL Roundup**

BY MICHAEL MAROT **AP SPORTS WRITER** INDIANAPOLIS (AP) -- Todd Bowles is keeping the Jets grounded.

Sure, they're off to their first 2-0 start since 2011, the defense forced five more turnovers Monday night against Andrew Luck and, of course, the New York fans are already revving up for more after a 20-7 win at Indianapolis. Bowles knows there's still a lot of work to be done.

"It's a good win, but it's only win No. 2," the firstyear Jets coach said after a 20-7 victory at Indianapolis. "We're not where we want to be, but we're on the way."

The defense might not be able to get much better.

New York already has five takeaways in the first two games and has scored 31 points off those miscues after producing only 20 points all of last season.

The reason is that they've been able to relentlessly pressure quarterbacks and lock down outside receivers with their two veteran cornerbacks, Darrelle Revis and Antonio Cromartie,



New York Jets wide receiver Brandon Marshall (15) scores a touchdown between Indianapolis Colts defensive back Jalil Brown (25) and strong safety Mike Adams (29) in the second half of an NFL football game in Indianapolis, Monday, Sept. 21, 2015.

sore knee.

But there was plenty to critique about the Jets' offense, which struggled

who played Monday on a to seal the game until the closing minutes.

Ryan Fitzpatrick was 22 of 34 for 244 yards with two touchdowns and one in- one TD and Eric Decker

**Associated Press** 

terception in his first win at Lucas Oil Stadium, Brandon Marshall caught seven passes for 101 yards and

caught eight passes for 97 yards and a TD before leaving with a knee injury. "It wasn't a pretty win, but we'll take it," Marshall said. "We've got a long way to go."

So do the Colts who failed to score in the first half for the second straight week - something they last did in consecutive games in

Indy is 0-2 for second consecutive season, but this time seems a lot different. After going 21 of 37 for 250 yards with one touchdown and three interceptions, Luck has now thrown five picks in the first two weeks. He also lost a fumble to the Jets.

And fans, who were so eager to see Robert Mathis return and Jeff Saturday inducted into the team's ring of honor, booed heartily as the problems mounted.

Fitzpatrick's 6-yard TD pass to Decker and a 35-yard field goal from Nick Folks made it 10-0 at halftime.

Luck finally answered with a 26-yard touchdown pass to Donte Moncrief early in the fourth quarter, but Fitzpatrick threw a 15-yard TD pass to Marshall and Folk made a 46-yard field goal to close out the scoring.





# Manziel's first win complicates Browns quarterback situation

# TOM WITHERS AP Sports Writer

**BEREA**, **Ohio** (**AP**) — Johnny Manziel's antics have the Browns in a jam. This time, a positive one.

Browns coach Mike Pettine said Monday that Manziel's first career win on Sunday over Tennessee has Cleveland's coaching staff considering maybe keeping him as their starting quarterback even if Josh McCown returns from a concussion.

Manziel threw two long touchdown passes to wide receiver Travis Benjamin, the second an improvised 50-yarder with 2:52 left to seal a 28-14 victory.

Although his statistics (8 of 15 for 172 yards) weren't great and he fumbled twice, Manziel led the Browns (1-1) to the win and that may be enough to move him ahead of Mc-Cown, who sustained a concussion in the season opener and remains on the sidelines.

Until McCown is cleared to play, Manziel will start for the Browns, who host Oakland this week. But that could change.

"To me, it's a positive conversation because you have a young quarterback that's been through a lot, that has gone out and led his team to a win," Pettine said.

"We were all able to enjoy it last night. I'm proud of him because if you had said back early in the offseason if this was going to happen, I think a lot of people would have said pretty slim chance."

McCown may give the Browns the better chance to win, and Pettine and his coaches have to weigh that against getting the 22-year-old Manziel playing time to see if he can be their long-term answer at quarterback.

Sticking with Manziel might be an easier choice if Mc-Cown, who signed a threeyear, \$14.5 million deal in March, hadn't shown promise while guiding Cleveland on a 17-play,



In this Thursday, Aug. 13, 2015 file photo, Cleveland Browns quarterback Johnny Manziel (2) scrambles during an NFL preseason football game against the Washington Redskins in Cleveland.

### **Associated Press**

90-yard drive before he got drilled in the helmet diving into the end zone.

Pettine said last week that McCown would have likely played against the Titans if he had practiced just one day, but he suffered a setback on Friday.

Manziel's performance was personally satisfying for the former Heisman Trophy winner, whose bad rookie season was followed by a stint in rehab.

He has been a fixture in U.S. tabloids since the Browns selected him in the 2014 draft, repeatedly photographed while partying in Las Vegas. In November, he was involved in an altercation at a downtown Cleveland hotel where he lived.

But he's worked hard at getting himself turned around both on and off the field, and Pettine has been impressed by his growth.

"Johnny has made a lot of progress in the right direction," Pettine said. "Still a lot of things to get cleaned, but we certainly feel like the arrow is up."



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### **NL Capsules**

# Marte's 4 hits lead Pirates past Rockies 9-3

**DENVER (AP)** — Starling Marte homered among his four hits and came within a triple of the cycle, and Pittsburgh beat the Rockies.

Aramis Ramirez went deep and Jody Mercer had four hits for the Pirates, who reduced their magic number for clinching a postseason berth to two. A win Tuesday and a San Francisco loss would clinch at least a wild card for the third straight season.

Mercer hit doubles in the second and fourth innings to drive in Francisco Cervelli, who had three hits, as the Pirates built a 5-0 lead on Jon Gray (0-

Pittsburgh starter A.J. Burnett (9-5) cruised through the first four innings before an error in the fifth preceded Tom Murphy's three-run homer that made it 5-3.

METS 4, BRAVES 0

NEW YORK (AP) — Jonathon Niese won for the first time in a month, Michael Conforto homered and the Mets moved closer to an NL East title with their victory over the Braves. Daniel Murphy lined a



Pittsburgh Pirates' Starling Marte points to Aramis Ramirez after he singled to drive in Marte against the Colorado Rockies in the ninth inning of a baseball game Monday, Sept. 21, 2015, in Denver. Pittsburgh won 9-3.

**Associated Press** 

two-run double, Yoenis Cespedes had three hits and the Mets handed hard-luck Shelby Miller (5-16) his 15th straight defeat. New York stretched its lead to 6 1/2 games over the second-place Nationals with 12 to play and lowered its magic number for clinching the division to seven.

including Conforto's

Niese (9-10) tossed threehit ball for six innings, keeping the ball down during an encouraging outing and getting 13 of his 18 outs on the ground. Miller lost his seventh straight start. He threw a season-high 113 pitches in six innings, allowing two runs and seven hits

homer. The right-hander is winless in his last 23 outings, the longest drought for a starter in Atlanta history, since coming within one out of a no-hitter in a 6-0 win May 17 at Miami. DIAMONDBACKS DODGERS 4

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Paul Goldschmidt homered after Yasmany Tomas and Aaron Hill gave the Diamondbacks the lead with longballs off Brett Anderson as Arizona beat Los Angeles.

The Dodgers' loss in the opener of this four-game series kept their magic number for clinching a third straight NL West title at seven, with secondplace San Francisco idle. Jhoulys Chacin (1-1) allowed two runs, six hits and four walks over 5 1-3 innings in his fourth start for the Diamondbacks, one day after they were mathematically eliminated from postseason contention. The sevenyear veteran right-hander posted his first win in the majors since June 12, 2014, with Colorado.

The Diamondbacks' bullpen came up big in the sixth after Chacin walked two batters and was pulled with one out. Andrew Chafin struck out pinch-hitter Scott Van Slyke and David Hernandez fanned pinch-hitter Scott Schebler.

CUBS 9, BREWERS 5 CHICAGO (AP) — Anthony Rizzo had three hits and scored three runs,

Jorge Soler hit a pinch-hit, 3-run shot and the Cubs beat the Brewers.

The Cubs inched closer to a NL playoff berth as their magic number to clinch fell to four.

Rizzo reached in all five of his at-bats after walking twice to go along with his three hits.

Milwaukee's Adam Lind tied the game at 4 with a two-run homer in the fifth inning off Cubs starter Jason Hammel (9-6), who allowed three earned runs over his five innings.

Wily Peralta (5-10) allowed four walks and eight hits. He gave up six runs over 4 2-3 innings. CARDINALS 2, REDS 1

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Rookie Stephen Piscotty doubled in the go-ahead run in a two-run eighth inning and the Cardinals turned it on late for a victory over the Reds.

Rookie Tommy Pham tripled off J.J. Hoover (8-2) to open the eighth and Jhonny Peralta's one-out single tied it ahead of Piscotty's drive off the wall in left-center.

Johnathon Broxton (3-5) allowed one hit the eighth and Trevor Rosenthal earned his 47th save in 49 chances to match the franchise record.

In other NL games it was N.Y. Mets 4, Atlanta 0; Chicago Cubs 9, Milwaukee 5; St. Louis 2, Cincinnati 1;

Pittsburgh 9, Colorado 3; and Arizona 8, L.A. Dodgers 4.





### **AL Capsules**

# Blue Jays top Yankees 4-2 in AL-East division showdown



Toronto Blue Jays' starting pitcher David Price works against the New York Yankees during first-inning baseball game action in Toronto, Monday, Sept. 21, 2015.

### **The Associated Press**

TORONTO (AP) — David Price pitched seven shutout innings, Jose Bautista had two hits and the Toronto Blue Jays used a threerun first inning to beat the New York Yankees 4-2 on Monday night.

Toronto stretched its lead in the AL East division to 3 1-2 games in the opener of a three-game showdown between the division's top teams.

Facing the Yankees for the fourth time since joining the Blue Jays in a July 30 trade, Price (17-5) improved to 3-0 with a 1.71 ERA against New York with Toronto.

Roberto Osuna overcame Greg Bird's two-out solo homer in the ninth to earn his 17th save.

Toronto jumped on Adam Warren (6-7) with a three-run first.

ASTROS 6, ANGELS 3

HOUSTON (AP) — Evan Gattis and Carlos Correa hit two-run homers, and the Astros beat the Angels in a matchup of American League wild-card playoff contenders.

Dallas Keuchel (18-8) pitched 7 2-3 solid innings

to remain undefeated at home this season. More importantly, the All-Star left-hander helped Houston keep momentum by winning its third straight.

The Astros (80-71) lead the Minnesota Twins by three games and the Angels by 3 1-2 for the AL's second wild-card spot. The victory put the Astros within a game of first-place Texas in the AL West.

Right-hander Jered Weaver (7-12) lasted 5 2-3 innings for the Angels, giving up five runs and nine hits, including the two homers.
RED SOX 8, RAYS 7

BOSTON (AP) — Xander Bogaerts hit a grand slam in the eighth inning to lift Boston to a victory over Tampa Bay, moving the Red Sox out of the AL East's basement and ahead of the Rays.

99th RBI on a night he was opener 2-0. Honored at Fenway Park for hitting his 500th career homer. It was his first home game since he joined the 500-home run club, hitting it against the Rays on Sept.

Brandon Guyer homered on the game's second

pitch to spark a three-run first for the Rays, who lost for the seventh time in 10 games.

**Associated Press** 

Jean Machi (1-0) got one out for the win. Robbie Ross Jr. pitched the ninth for his fifth save.

Bogaerts homered off Brandon Gomes (2-6). Jackie Bradley Jr. was hit by a pitch and Mookie Betts and Pedroia singled before Bogaerts hit his homer over the Green Monster.

WHITE SOX 2, TIGERS 0, 1ST GAME; WHITE SOX 3, TI-GERS 2, 2ND GAME

DETROIT (AP) — Erik Johnson followed a one-hitter by Jeff Smardzija with six solid innings, leading the White Sox to a victory over the Tigers for a double-header sweep.

Red Sox out of the AL East's Samardzija allowed only basement and ahead of the Rays. Samardzija allowed only a leadoff single to Victor Martinez in the fifth inning as the White Sox won the opener 2-0.

Gordon Beckham homered, Jose Abreu had an RBI double and Avisail Garcia a sacrifice fly in the night cap of the split-doubleheader. All the runs came off Detroit's Randy Wolf (0-4).

Johnson (3-0) allowed a

long ball to Alex Avila and a sacrifice fly to Ian kinsler. Making his fourth start this season after spending most of it at Triple-A Charlotte, Johnson matched a career best with nine strikeouts. He allowed five hits and two walks.

In the opener, no other batter reached base against Samardzija (10-13), who struck out six in his second shutout this season. Adam Eaton singled in Carlos Sanchez in the third, and Sanchez homered in the sixth against Kyle Ryan (2-4), who allowed six hits in seven innings.

In other AL games it was Chicago White Sox 2, Detroit 0, 1st game; Toronto 4, N.Y. Yankees 2; Chicago White Sox 3, Detroit 2, 2nd game; Boston 8, Tampa Bay 7; and Houston 6, L.A. Angels 3.





# **Headache relief**

### By: Dr. Carlos Viana

for headache; mal de tête, has always seemed to make the affliction sound much less ominous. Thankfully most headaches are not serious even if very painful. However, head pain, in every country, is the most common human affliction and, even in this age of advances in medical technology there is still far more that we do not know about headaches then that which we do know.

In many eastern medical practices, especially Traditional Chinese Medicine (TCM) headaches have been treated with a higher success rate then they have in the West. Furthermore, TCM has a much different approach to understanding headaches, health, and the person as a whole.

Western, allopathic medicine classifies headaches by their specific symptoms and measurable biological effects. Individuals are usually classified as having a certain type of headache and treatment is based of this classification. There are eleven main types of headache classifications in western medicine. The first four are the most common and serious types of headaches and include head pain caused from vascular (brain arteries changing shape), muscle contraction (tightness), traction, and inflammation.

The other types of headaches include envi-

The French words ronmental or behavioral headaches caused by factors such as caffeine withdrawal, eyestrain, poor posture, and hunger. Trauma headaches are headaches that result from an injury often times, which is minor. Sensitivity headaches are a reaction to an allergy, food, chemical or environmental substance. Finally, sinus headaches, dental headaches, and exertion headaches are self explanatory.

Pharmaceuticals, which have dangerous side affects, are by far the most widely used treatment for headaches in western medicine, but allopathic Doctors do recognize the role played with food in headaches. Western doctors recognize sugar, MSG (Monosodium Glutamate, a flavor enhancer used in many foods), and food allergies as primary prevention factors in treating headaches. However, this is not nearly considered to be as important a factor as it is in Traditional Chinese Medicine.

Unfortunately, much more common treatment of headaches is through the use of pharmaceuticals. These pharmaceuticals are man made chemicals constructed with the intention of correcting a chemical imbalance. Western Medicine usually sees these imbalances as coming from the liver, the endocrine system, and occasionally the nervous system. This treatment also includes the regula-



tion of hormones, mostly in women and is tied to the menstruation cycle. Many women find that they get headaches the day before menstrual flow begins or the day that flow actually begins an effect of estrogen withdrawal.

Traditional Chinese medicine sees a headache essentially as a disharmony within the person. Thus our treatment is to rebalance the disharmonv. which in turn will help not only the headache but make the individual healthier as a whole. In our clinic we take on an approach that identifies the source of the head pain. We know that everything in existence is related. Slow moving colons produce purification chemicals with an extremely unpleasant smell that stimulates mucus production in the sinuses, chest, and produce headaches. Colon hydrotherapy or the washing of the large intestines is an easy detoxification procedure that eliminates headaches from this source.

Acupuncture is a useful, inexpensive and effective form of treatment

for people who suffer from chronic or migraine headaches. Studies have shown acupuncture to work betthan conventional treatments alone and result in fewer headaches and no negative side affects. Also, it has been shown repeatedly that acupuncture decreased the severity and frequency of headaches in those who experienced severe headaches. Acupuncture treatment involves the insertion of extremely fine needles into the skin at precise points in the body. It has been shown to help with migraine nausea and pain.

Many of the sources of headache pain we have seen in our clinic include dental problems and the toxic heavy metals that leak from dental amalgams. Headaches and migraines are an often reported complaint of people who have amalgam fillings in their teeth. Dentists knowledgeable in biocompatible dentistry are very effective in improving the condition.

Herbal tradition has used the herbs like dandelion to treat head pain. Dandelion combined with herbs that also detoxify and support the liver are an even better combination. Eating foods right for your metabolic type and including a de-stressing exercise and getting enough sleep are good lifestyle choices.

Get The Point! The longer the headache or migraine is left untreated the harder it is to stop. Most of the pharmaceutical medications used for headaches have dangerous side effects and can cause rebound, which is a serious worsening of your headache. You probably already know that when you develop a migraine what may help is being calm; staying in a dark, quiet room; and sleeping. Rather than wait for your next headache or migraine, consider treatment and prevention with acupuncture, herbal treatments, and a personalized diet that have a five thousand year old tract record. Call to make an appointment.

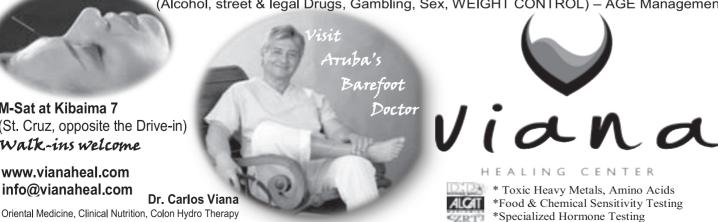
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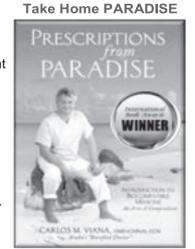
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# Starbucks: Mobile order-and-pay now available nationally

**CANDICE CHOI AP Food Industry Writer NEW YORK (AP)** — If you hate standing in line for your Starbucks fix, there's an app for that.

The Seattle-based coffee chain says its mobile app that lets people order and pay in advance will be available nationally starting Tuesday. That means lattes, breakfast sandwiches and other items you want could theoretically be waiting for you by the time you arrive.

Mobile order-and-pay is still rare, but could become more common as fast-food chains look to keep up with expectations. changing Taco Bell also introduced a mobile app last year that lets people order and pay in advance. If it works well, companies see such services and mobile apps in general as a way to build customer loyalty.

Starbucks Corp. introduced

order-and-pay ahead in Portland, Oregon late last year and it has since been expanded to 3,400 of its more than 7,400 company-owned U.S. stores. On Tuesday, it will roll out the option to the remainder of locations, including those in New York City, Chicago and San Francisco.

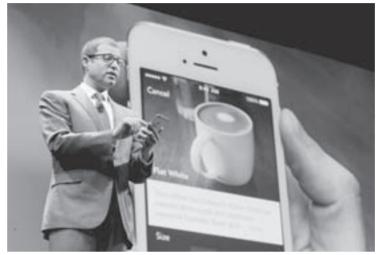
Starbuck Chief Digital Officer Adam Brotman explains the basics:

Q: Walk me through how the app works.

A: You open your app and in the upper right hand corner, you're going to be able to click on a new tab that says "Order." When you click "Order," you'll be able to browse and send that order to whichever store you select. The app will tell you the estimated pickup time.

Then you walk right in and pick up your order.

Q: Can you specify when you want to pick up your



In this March 18, 2015 file photo, Adam Brotman, Starbucks chief digital officer, talks about the company's new mobile ordering app at Starbucks Coffee Company's annual shareholders meeting in Seattle. **Associated Press** 

order?

A: (The app) will tell you the estimated pickup time. If it's too quick, you could place (the order) once you get closer to the store.

You can pick whatever store you want, and you can check the wait times at various stores.

Q: In general, how much time in advance should

Q: Is there anything you can't order off the app, like packaged food items? A: You could order everything on the app that you could order in the store. If we run out of something, the app will reflect that. You can customize your order just the way you would in the store.

Q: Is there a separate area where people pick up their orders?

A: You go to the same place you would normally pick up your order. It will have your name on it. It will know your name from your loyalty account. Or you can go up and ask if you don't see it.

Q: This has been in Portland for about nine months now. What percentage of orders now come through order-and-pay mobile there?

A: We're not breaking out the number yet.

# After outrage, India rethinks draconian social media policy

**NIRMALA GEORGE Associated Press** 

**NEW DELHI (AP)** — The Indian government backtracked Tuesday on a proposed requirement for all messages sent on social media and mobile chatting apps to be saved for several months as a way of defeating encryption technology.

The proposed law stipuusers would have to save plain-text versions of messages for 90 days. Services such as WhatsApp, Facebook, Twitter, Viber and Google Chat encrypt messages as they are sent between users.

There was widespread out-

rage online over the threat to privacy and the possibility of prosecution for those who refused to save their communications.

The uproar comes just days before India's Prime Minister Narendra Modi heads to Silicon Valley where he is to meet technology entrepreneurs to persuade them to invest in India. Modi is scheduled to meet lated that all social media the chief executives of Microsoft and Google as well as visit the Facebook campus where he will address a townhall-style meeting with the social media giant's cofounder Mark Zuckerberg.

India has more than 350 million Internet users and that number is expected to grow rapidly as more people use smartphones to go online.

Communications and Information Technology Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad government the was withdrawing its draft encryption policy. The amendment to an existing telecoms law would be redrafted and would not affect most people.

"I wish to make it very clear that it is just a draft and not the view of the government," Prasad told a press conference.

The proposed law would also have required foreign companies using encryption to submit their soft-



Indians use their mobile phones in New Delhi, India, Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015. **Associated Press** 

ware to scrutiny by Indian increases enormously. government agencies. Prasad said the govern-

people place their orders?

A: Generally, it is around

three to five minutes. It can

vary on two different fac-

tors — what's in your order,

and how busy the store is.

If there's a bunch of other

mobile orders in front of

you, it might stretch your

pickup time to 10 minutes.

But for the most part, it's

going to be three to five

ment respects the right to freedom of expression but is also trying to enhance security as the volume of Internet communications and other online activity by individuals, government agencies and companies The government has set an Oct. 16 deadline for public

feedback on the law. Modi has been a keen user of social media such as Twitter and Facebook to conduct diplomacy, conaratulate athletes and explain his political agenda to the public.

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# Stocks drop as oil, other commodities sink

**MATTHEW CRAFT AP Business Writer** bout of turbulence swung the U.S. stock market to a loss Tuesday as rawmaterial producers sank along with prices for oil and copper. The selling swept across every industry, with all 10 sectors of the S&P 500 taking a fall.

markets throughout the **NEW YORK (AP)** — Another summer. The S&P 500, the most widely used measure of U.S. investments, has lost more than 8 percent in three months.

> Investors will get another look at China's economy on Wednesday when Caixin's manufacturing index comes out. Last month, it

have battered financial Index up 0.9 percent. Markets in Japan remain closed for a three-day holiday. Back in the U.S., ConAgra Foods tumbled 7 percent after posting a \$1.2 billion quarterly loss. Sales for the maker of Chef Boyardee, Hebrew National hot dogs and other packaged food also fell short of analysts' forecasts. ConAgra's stock



Trader Richard Deviccaro, left, works on the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Another bout of turbulence swung the U.S. stock market to a loss Tuesday as raw-material producers sank along with prices for oil and copper.

(AP Photo/Richard Drew)

JJ Kinahan, TD Ameritrade's chief strategist, said lingering uncertainty over China's slowdown and the timing of the Federal Reserve's first interest-rate hike in nearly a decade has made investors skittish. "I think it's really just the fact that nobody knows what to do," Kinahan said. "When things are this uncertain, the reaction is sell first and see what happens later." Without any big news to drive trading, the indexes slumped throughout the morning, bottomed out in the afternoon and then

The Standard & Poor's 500 or 1.2 percent, to 1,942.74. The Dow Jones industrial 1.5 percent, to 4,756,72.

spent the rest of the day re-

covering their losses.

slowing growth in China percent and mainland Chi-cents to close at \$49.08 a and around the world na's Shanghai Composite barrel in London.

hit a six-year low. Federal Reserve officials cited China's slowdown as one reason it decided to delay raising interest rates last week. The scandal at Volkswagen AG, the world's top-selling carmaker, deepened after it said some 11 million of its diesel vehicles worldwide were fitted with software to cheat U.S. emissions test. The company said it was setting aside around 6.5 billion euros (\$7.3 billion) to cover the fallout. Its U.S.-listed shares plunged \$4.66, or 15 percent, to \$25.44, extending Volkswagen's losses to 30 percent over two days. In Europe, markets across the contiindex dropped 24.23 points, nent closed with big losses. Germany's DAX dropped 3.8 percent, and France's average fell 179.72 points, CAC-40 dropped 3.4 per- cents to \$14.76 an ounce.

sank \$3 to \$39.40.

After the market closed on Monday, Mosaic said it would cut production of its fertilizers as falling prices for crops have hurt the company's sales. Mosaic pointed to swings in currencies and financial markets as other culprits. Its stock lost \$2.56, or 7 percent, to \$33.88. U.S. government bond prices jumped, knocking the yield on the 10-year Treasury note down to 2.13 percent, from 2.20 percent late Monday.

In commodity trading, most industrial and precious metals settled with steep losses. Copper lost 9 cents, or 4 percent, to finish at \$2.30 a pound. Gold dropped an even \$8 to \$1,124.80 an ounce, and silver sank 47 or 1.1 percent, to 16,330.47, cent. Britain's FTSE 100 index Benchmark U.S. crude oil and the Nasdaq compos- closed with a loss of 2.8 per- fell 85 cents to close at ite declined 72.73 points, or cent. Major indexes in Asia \$45.83 a barrel in New York. ended higher, with Hong Brent Crude, an interna-Mounting concerns about Kong's Hang Seng up 0.2 tional benchmark, rose 16

### CEOs of Aetna, Anthem make the case for health insurance mergers

**TOM MURPHY MARCY GORDON AP Business Writers** 

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — Leaders of two major health insurers planning multibillion dollar acquisitions made their case to Congress that bigger can mean better in their industry, but concerns are being raised in Washington about how these deals will affect consumers and competition.

Blue Cross-Blue Shield insurer Anthem plans to buy Cigna for \$48 billion, and rival Aetna is looking to acquire Medicare Advantage coverage provider Humana for about \$35 billion in a wave of consolidation that swept through the industry this summer. The deals came under scrutiny Tuesday at a Senate Judiciary subcommittee hearing.

Senators pressed Aetna CEO Mark Bertolini and his Anthem counterpart, Joseph Swedish, for explanations of how their deals would not stifle competition and give them too much power. Anthem Inc.'s combination with Cigna Corp. would create the nation's largest health insurer based on enrollment. Aetna Inc. already is the third-largest insurer.

Before the deals can close, the Justice Department must pass judgment on whether the mergers would make the companies so dominant that they could create a competitive imbalance. That review is expected to last several months. In the meantime, senators wanted to weigh in although Congress doesn't rule on the mergers.

"I want to make sure these deals do not harm consumers by increasing premiums or reducing benefits," Sen. Amy Klobuchar of Minnesota, the panel's senior Democrat, told the CEOs

Bertolini told the senators that "robust choice and competition will remain in the Medicare market" even after Aetna buys the nation's second-largest provider of Medicare Advantage plans. Swedish said consumers would benefit from expanded access to care in its combination with Cigna.

Insurers have said these combinations can help them save money by cutting overlapping costs and improving their technology, which is becoming more important in monitoring patient health and helping customers find care. The acquisitions also are a way to quickly push into new markets and gain negotiating leverage over care providers like hospitals that have been growing and adding their own negotiating muscle in recent years.

But the consolidation wave could lead to fewer choices for consumers in some markets. Several provider and patient advocate groups have raised concerns about that. The actual impact on consumers likely won't be felt for at least a year because insurers have largely ironed out their 2016 coverage plans.

"I am deeply concerned about these mergers," Sen. Richard Blumenthal, D-Conn., told the CEOs.

He said both proposed mergers raise "serious competitive concerns," and he expressed skepticism that cost savings realized by the companies through the combinations would be passed on to consumers.

Bertolini said Aetna and Humana complement each other, and he has little worry about leaving enough competition. He noted that there are at least 10 other competitors on public insurance exchanges in markets where Aetna and Humana overlap.

"We are not at all concerned about the lack of competition in local markets," he said.

Swedish noted that a small, newer insurer named Oscar has had some success selling coverage in the New York City area.□



# US rental home prices rise at slower pace in August

**JOSH BOAK AP Economics Writer WASHINGTON (AP)** — U.S. home rents rose at a slower pace in August, a downshift that may reflect the rise of apartment construction in many major cities.

Median rents rose a seasonally adjusted 3.8 percent from a year ago, off from the annual pace of 4.2 percent in July, real estate firm

prices are still climbing at a faster pace than average earnings, increasing the financial burden of housing and potentially delaying the accumulation of savings to buy a home.

Rental increases tailed off in several metro areas in the August. In Los Angeles, the pace slipped to 4.2 percent from 4.8 percent. Simi-

Zillow said Tuesday. Rental lar slowdowns were seen in Dallas, Philadelphia, Miami, Boston, San Francisco, Phoenix and Denver last

> The deceleration may reflect the impact of new units coming onto market, which has increased available supplies and therefore limited how much prices can rise. Construction firms have broken

ground on 12.7 percent more apartment buildings this year-to-date, according to the Commerce Department.

This includes a 42 percent jump in apartment construction in the Northeast and 25 percent increase in the West.

Still, rental housing costs has been rising nationwide at roughly double waae

Average hourly earnings have risen only 2.2 percent over the previous 12 months, according to the Labor Department.

The result is an affordability crunch for renters.

More than a quarter of all renters — 11.2 million households — devoted at least half their incomes to rent in 2013.

# CEO: 'I am endlessly sorry' Volkswagen brand is tarnished

**GEIR MOULSON PAN PYLAS Associated Press** 

**BERLIN (AP)** — Volkswagen AG's smog-test troubles escalated Tuesday as the company acknowledged putting stealth software in millions of vehicles worldwide. The scandal has now cost VW more than 24 billion euros (\$26 billion) in market value.

Volkwagen stunningly admitted that some 11 million of the German carmaker's diesel vehicles contain software that evades emissions controls, far more than the 482,000 identified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as violating the Clean Air Act.

Volkswagen also warned that future profits could be affected, and set aside an initial 6.5 billion euros (\$7.3 billion) to cover the fallout. CEO Martin Winterkorn apologized for the deception under his leadership and pledged a fast and thorough investigation, but gave no indication that he might resign.

"Millions of people across ing for your trust on our way ly," Winterkorn said. the world trust our brands, our cars and our technologies," Winterkorn said Tues-

forward," he said. "We will clear this up."

VW has yet to explain who day in a video message. installed the software, un-

Volkswagen CEO Martin Winterkorn, left, and Volkswagen branch head Herbert Diess at the Frankfurt Auto Show IAA in Frankfurt, Germany. Winterkorn apologized for the manipulations of VW diesel cars in the U.S. to defeat emission tests , and promised a fast and thorough investigation.

(AP Photo/Jens Meyer)

"I am endlessly sorry that we have disappointed this trust. I apologize in every way to our customers, to authorities and the whole public for the wrongdoing." "We are asking, I am askder what direction, and

"I do not have the answers to all the questions at this point myself, but we are in the process of clearing up the background relentless-

The damage to Volkswagen's reputation was reflected in the market's response. Volkswagen's ordinary shares fell 20 percent Tuesday to close at 111.20 euros. They're down 31 percent since the crisis began. The EPA said Friday that VW faces potential fines of \$37,500 per vehicle, and that anyone found personally responsible is subject to \$3,750 per violation.

After blaming unrelated issues for more than a year, the company finally told U.S. regulators on Sept. 3 that it installed software that switches engines to a cleaner mode during official emissions testing. The software then switches off again on the road, enabling cars to drive more powerfully while emitting as much as 40 times the legal pollution limit.

"Let's be clear about this. Our company was dishonest. With the EPA, and the California Air Resources Board, and with all of you. And in my German words,

we have totally screwed up," the head of Volkswagen's U.S. division, Michael Horn, said Monday while unveiling a new Passat model in New York.

"We must fix those cars to prevent this from ever happening again, and we have to make things right. With the government, the public, our customers, our employees, and very importantly, with our dealers." The shockwaves were felt across the sector as traders wondered who else may get embroiled. Germany's Daimler AG, the maker of Mercedes-Benz cars, was down 7 percent Tuesday, while BMW AG fell 6 percent. France's Renault SA was 7.1 percent lower.

"Brands are all about trust and it takes years and years to develop. But in the space of 24 hours, Volkswagen has gone from one people could trust to one people don't know what to think of," said Nigel Currie, an independent U.K.based sponsorship and branding consultant.

# BofA shareholders let Moynihan keep CEO, chairman jobs

**KEN SWEET AP Business Writer NEW YORK (AP)** — Bank of America CEO Brian Moynihan will keep both his CEO and chairman positions following a Tuesday vote by

shareholders.

the bank, which had lobbied hard for the dual role. Only 63 percent of eligible shareholders voted in favor, however, far from a solid majority, showing how

win the trust of its investors. In 2009, BofA's shareholders voted to strip the chairman title from then-CEO Ken

partly as a vote of no-confidence following a series of bungled and controver-It was a significant win for sial acquisitions, including the purchase of mortgage lender Countrywide Financial and the financial firm Merrill Lynch.

reversed that shareholder far the bank must still go to vote last year, when they

gave the chairman role to Moynihan, saying the combined role was more appropriate for how the company was being managed. But activist shareholders say the decision goes against what investors voted for six years ago.

"Even though it mustered a majority, Bank of America's leadership emerges wounded and weakened BofA's board of directors from today's shareholder vote.

The bank failed to secure

the overwhelming victory it needed to show that it has investors' confidence," said Michael Pryce-Jones, with CtW Investment Group, a financial advisory firm affiliated with more than similar vote two years ago, \$250 billion in union pension funds.

Still, Moynihan declared victory.

"We are pleased our shareholders had the chance to express their views, and we appreciate their support to continue driving our company forward for them and for our customers and clients," he said in a prepared statement.

JPMorgan Chase & Co. CEO Jamie Dimon faced a and also kept both jobs.

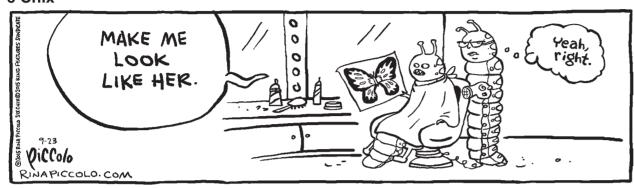
That proposal was removed last year before the bank's annual meeting, eradicating the threat.

BofA shares fell 13 cents, or 0.8 percent, \$15.57, as broader stock markets declined.

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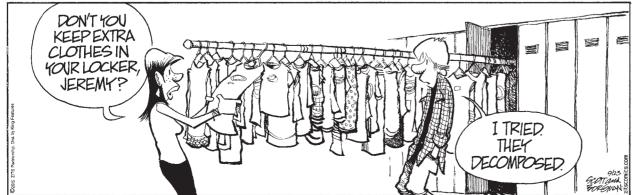
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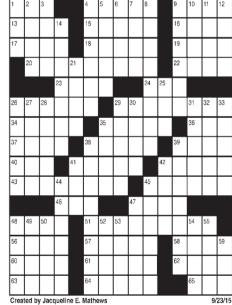
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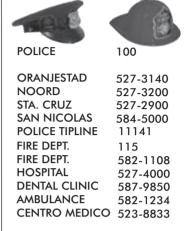
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# Israeli archaeologists may have found fabled Maccabees tomb

### **DANIEL ESTRIN Associated Press**

BEN SHEMEN FOREST, Israel (AP)

 Israeli archaeologists may be one step closer to solving a riddle that has vexed explorers for more than a century: the location of the fabled tomb of the biblical Maccabees.

Israel's government Antiquities Authority said Monday that an ancient structure it began excavating this month on the side of a highway appears to match ancient descriptions of the tomb of Jewish rebels who wrested control of Judea from Seleucid rule and established a Jewish kingdom in the 2nd century B.C.

Scholars in Israel's quarrelsome archaeological community tend to agree that the site, in an Israeli forest west of Jerusalem and a short walk from the West Bank, is a significant burial site but reserve judgment about its connection to the Maccabees. Now the Antiquities Authority, which sometimes relies on private funding to help finance digs, is soliciting donations so it can keep searching for evidence.

"We still don't have the smoking gun," said Amit Reem, a government archaeologist who helped lead the dia.

The Maccabees are considered heroes in both Judaism and Christianity. The Jewish holiday of Hanukkah commemorates Mattathias and his five sons who revolted against Hellenic rulers who banned Jewish practices, and rededicated the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem. The biblical Books of the Maccabees, which include a tale of Jewish martyrs dvina for their faith, are a source of inspiration in some Christian traditions.

In the late 1880s, a succession of European explorers went searching for the tomb. They were drawn to a barren area near the West Bank village of Midya, a name that resembles Modiin, the ancient town where the biblical account says the Maccabee family was buried.

Arab villagers pointed one European explorer toward a hilltop dotted with rock-hewn graves known by locals as "the graves of the

Jews." Archaeologists today say these cannot be the graves of the Maccabees, but Israeli road signs still label them as such and Hanukkah ceremonies are held there to honor the ancient rebels.

Another 19th-century explorer was drawn to a nearby Arab tomb, where he announced that he found the remains of Mattathias. Archaeologists say the small domed structure has no connection to the elder Maccabee, but Israeli archaeologists and volunteers cleared away rubble and exposed the simple mosaic cross for the first time in more than 100 years.

Reem said the cross is a clue. It appears on the floor of a burial niche at the site. It is the only Byzantineera site where a cross decorates the floor of a burial vault, he said, indicating that it may have marked the spot of an important figure. He thinks it is likely that the Byzantines to an account by ancient historian Josephus Flavius. Both describe the Tomb of the Maccabees as a tall structure that could be seen from the Mediterranean Sea, featuring columns and seven pyramids.

Reem says four thick column bases found at the site may be indications that the structure was once 5 meters (over 15 feet) tall, and large rock slabs Clermont-Ganneau said he found — which have since gone missing from the site



A worker for the Israel Antiquities Authority shows a cross designed on a mosaic floor at an archaeological site at Ben Shemen Forest near the Israeli city of Modiin on Monday, Sept. 21, 2015. **Associated Press** 

a modern tombstone engraved in Hebrew marks it as his burial site. Today, candles and Jewish prayer pamphlets are strewn about.

"It was more wishful thinking than hardcore archaeological evidence," Reem said about the European explorers' discoveries.

It is a third spot, just a few paces away from the domed structure, that captures Israeli archaeologists' imaginations. French scholar Charles Clermont-Ganneau first excavated it in the late 1800s and found a mosaic floor featuring a Byzantine Christian cross. The site was then abandoned. This month, early Christians — identified this site as the Maccabees' tomb.

"What other important figures would be here?" Reem said, standing in the deep pit of the archaeological site.

Aviv University who was not in- to look for an inscription or archivolved with the dig, said the mosaic cross is not necessarily a significant clue. He said the burial niche may have been converted into a Byzantine chapel, where a cross would have been standard.

But he agreed with Reem about other characteristics that correspond to the biblical account and — could have been the bases of pyramid decorations. Before a forest was planted in the area, it had a direct line of sight to the sea.

Reem said he cannot yet date the site to earlier than the 5th century Oren Tal, an archaeologist at Tel A.D. He wants to excavate more, tectural elements that could associate the structure with the time of the Maccabees.

> For the past decade, he said, finding the tomb has been his personal holy grail.

> "It (is) crucial for everybody ... to solve once and for all this riddle," he said.



# Strait releases new album, will play Las Vegas in 2016

KIMBERLY PIERCEALL **Associated Press** 

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Country music king George Strait wants to be clear.

His upcoming four shows and likely more at MGM Resorts' new Las Vegas Arena next year aren't some re-emergence from retirement.

The 63-year-old may have hung up his touring boots last year after four decades and his record-setting "Cowboy Rides Away" shows, but he's hardly done singing or performing.

"Some people that I have told that I'd be doing some dates in Vegas in 2016 at the Las Vegas Arena, they go: 'Well, you retired. I thought you retired.' Ooh, I just wanna grab 'em and shake 'em. I never said that," he said Tuesday with a flash of his pearly white cowboy smile.

Strait announced Tuesday

20,000-seat arena — April 22-23 and Sept. 9-10 and release a new album, "Cold Beer Conversation," available on iTunes and at Walmart stores starting Friday. It's an album with ballads and toe-tappers for those "dudes and dudettes" reminiscing about high school football games, family and life over a cold beer.His first choice for a cold beer chat? His father, John Byron Strait, who died in 2013 at 91.

It was Strait's wanting to talk with his dad that led him to write "Everything I See" with his son Bubba.

"I wish I would have stuck a phone in his shirt, as ridiculous as that may sound," he said of the death of his father, as he pondered the information cloud and being able to communicate with his dad from the beyond.

that he would perform four The Grammy winner and Colosseum at Caesars Pal-

upcoming shows at the repeat Country Music Association entertainer of the year said he's always looking for a good swing tune and found one, writing the tongue-in-cheek, "It Takes All Kinds" with lyrics such as, "Some got a boat they like to float/ Some got a story they sugarcoat / some got a clue and then some don't / it takes all kinds." Strait said he traded lyrics in texts with his son and his song-writing buddies.

> "Bob Wills and His Texas Playboys were a big influence on me," he said. "At one point, I thought I was going to do a big band record of standard songs like Sinatra-type songs, and that's still a possibility."

> The Las Vegas Strip has been many things to many people. But it has increasingly become a hub for country music fans, whether seeing Reba McEntire and Brooks & Dunn at The



George Strait poses for a portrait following his press conference at the MGM Grand Resort and Casino on Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2015, in Las Vegas, Nev.

**Associated Press** 

ace or seeing The Judds reunite at upcoming shows at The Venetian.

"George retired from touring at the top of his game," said Gary Bongiovanni with the concert industry tracking firm Pollstar. "He has a very loyal fan base that will be delighted to hear the news they have a chance to see him again."

Strait has been no stranger to Vegas and its many casino venues. "The crowds are great, and they come from all over the place," he

When the Las Vegas Arena opens in April, Strait will be among the first to play the new \$375 million venue being built by MGM Resorts and AEG.

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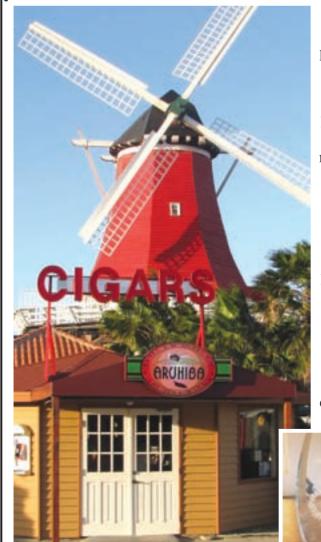
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# JK Rowling tells a new Harry Potter story on her website

NEW YORK (AP) — Eight years after writing the last of her "Harry Potter" novels, J.K. Rowling is still adding to the boy wizard's story.

The author posted new information Tuesday about the Potter family, the background provided on a "newly imagined" and mobile friendly version of the Pottermore Web portal (www.pottermore.com) that Rowling established in 2012. In a brief essay titled, "The Potter Family," Rowling traces Harry's roots to "the twelfth-century wizard Linfred of Stinchcombe, a locally well-beloved and eccentric man, whose nickname, 'the Potterer', became corrupted in time



This Oct. 16, 2012 file photo shows "Harry Potter" novels author J.K. Rowling at an appearance at The David H. Koch Theater in

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the backstory on the "Invisibility Cloak," a legacy Iolanthe Peverell.

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In this June 7, 2015 file photo, the cast of "Jersey Boys" performs at the 69th annual Tony Awards at Radio City Music Hall in New York. **Associated Press** 

# Might the Tony Award show be homeless again?

**MARK KENNEDY AP Drama Writer** 

NEW YORK (AP) — Good news for the Rockettes might mean bad news for the Tony Awards.

MSG Entertainment said tacular," which will be re- Manhattan's Upper West Tuesday that it will again named. Spectacular" starring the leggy dancers next year, but it will run from June 15 through Aug. 7 at Radio City Music Hall, meaning it may have to boot the annual theater awards show from the iconic venue.

While next year's Tony night

hasn't been announced, it Tonys had been held at usually falls on a Sunday in Radio City from 1997-2010 the first two weeks of June. In 2016, that would put it durina crucial rehearsal time for the "Spring Spec-

put on a "New York Spring The Broadway League, booked by Cirque du Sowhich runs the awards show with the American Theater Wing, had no com-

> The 6,000-seat Radio City has long been the preferred home for the awards because of its size and proximity to Broadway. The

and for the last three years. From 2011-12, the Tonvs were handed out at the Beacon Theatre on Side after Radio City was leil's "Zarkana." The venue is much smaller, having only about 2,870 seats, leading to ticket-rationing and a struggle to seat the often large number of show producers. MSG Entertainment also owns the Beacon.

# Sean Penn files \$10M suit against 'Empire' co-creator





File photo, actor Sean Penn, left, and right, Lee Daniels, co-creator of Fox's mega-hit "Empire." Associated Press

### **COLLEEN LONG Associated Press**

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Sean Penn on Tuesday filed a \$10 million defamation lawsuit against "Empire" cocreator Lee Daniels over comments Daniels made comparing him to the show's star Terrence Howard, who's been repeatedly accused of domestic violence.

Daniels' comments appeared online about a week ago in the entertainment publication The Hollywood Reporter in a story about the upcoming season of the popular Fox television show.

"That poor boy (Terrence) ain't done nothing different than Marlon Brando or Sean Penn, and all of a sudden he's some ... demon," Daniels said in the article. "That's a sign of time, of race, of where we are right now in America." Penn's lawsuit, filed in Manhattan civil court, says Daniels' statements were egregious and injured Penn's credibility and reputation personally, professionally and in his philanthropic activities. Penn has won two best actor Oscars, for "Mystic River" and "Milk." He has made a major huter it was devastated by an earthquake, co-founding the J/P Haitian Relief Organization. But he also has a reputation for angry behavior. In 2010, he pleaded no contest to vandalism after he kicked a celebrity photographer, but the

case later was dismissed. In the 1980s, he was in court in connection with fisticuffs and spitting. He beat a

man he thought was trying to kiss Madonna in a nightclub, and he admitted driving recklessly and punching an extra on the set of the movie "Colors."

attorney Mathew Rosengart said the lawsuit isn't just about Daniels' comments.

"Sean has been the subject of numerous baseless attacks over the years, as the complaint provides, and this is only the most recent example," he said.

Daniels is the Oscar-nominated filmmaker of "Precious: Based on the Novel 'Push' by Sapphire," ''The Paperboy" and "The Butler." The new season of "Empire," which he created with Danny Strong, starts Wednesday.

A telephone call to Daniels' publicist on Tuesday, seeking comment on the lawsuit, wasn't immediately returned.

Howard has been forced to publicly address domestic violence allegations, including during testimony in a Los Angeles courtroom in August, when he acknowledged he struck his first wife manitarian push in Haiti af- in 2001 but denied abusing another ex-wife, Michelle Ghent.

> Howard testified about the 2001 incident in Pennsylvania and said he drove to his ex-wife's house after an argument and "kicked down the door and smacked her."

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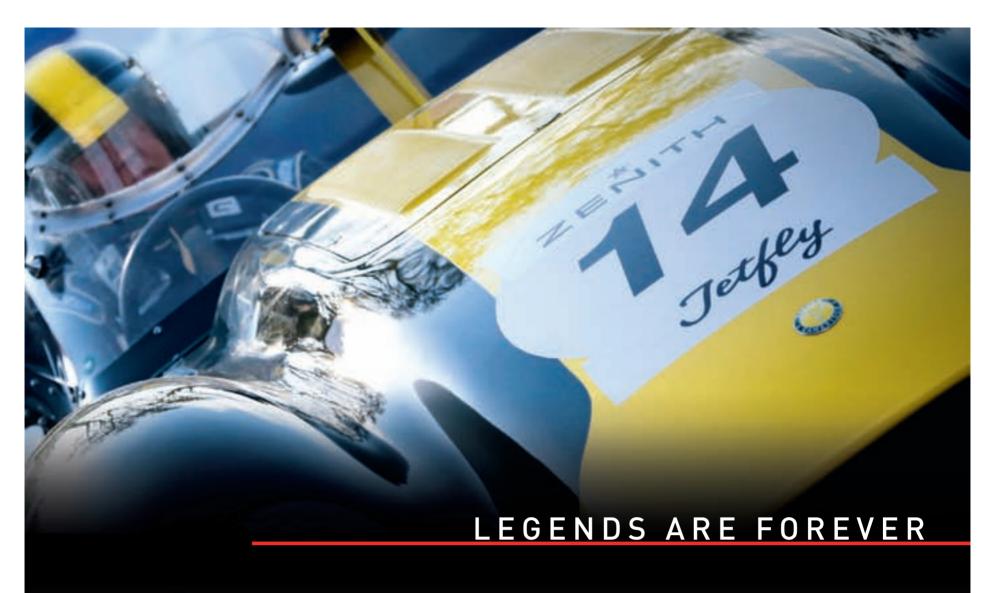
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